

THE PINEHURST PRESS

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A weekly newsletter to share the news of Pinehurst Primary School

Teaching and Learning



This week at Pinehurst we have celebrated Safer Internet Day- an annual event in the UK that is supported by a range of organisations who aim to encourage conversations about ensuring the internet is a safe place for our children. Pupils across the school have discussed how to be safe online in morning assemblies and all classes have has the chance to look at some of our favourite books about being safe online during their shared reading sessions. Pupils in Years 5 and 6 took part in some drama workshops in which they had to reflect on the choices of a fictional character and discuss how they could have been putting themselves in danger. Online safety is a key component of both our Computing and PSHE curriculum and is an underestimated part of our day-to-day safeguarding. We hope that with regular conversations about the internet, all in the Pinehurst Family can work together to protect our young people and allow them to safely enjoy all the fun opportunities the internet has to offer.

Leading Computing and E-Safety at Pinehurst – Miss R Fry

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?

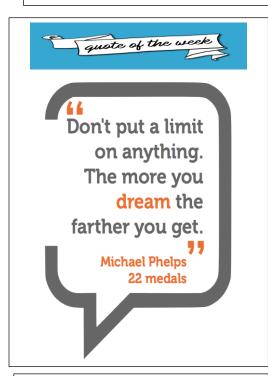


Weekly Attendance and Minutes Late

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Year Group	Class	Attendance %	Minutes Late
R	Ash	91.2	133
R	Oak	91.1	453
1	Elm	92.8	29 😊
1	Cherry	97.0 😉	135
2	Fir	93.9	496 🙁
2	Yew	90.0	117
3	Cedar	93.2	299
3	Hazel	90.7	385
4	Chestnut	90.8	155
4	Holly	94.8	165
5	Maple	95.2	155
5	Sycamore	88.1 🙁	173
6	Birch	91.2	420
6	Willow	88.1 🙁	194

School Contact Number 07858 739336 for Emergencies

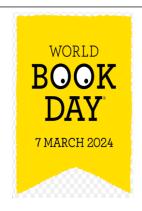


Importance of School Attendance

0 DAYS OFF 190 DAYS ATTENDED	100%	PERFECTION T	
4 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	98%	IMPRESSIVE	
7 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	96%	NEARLY THERE	
9 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	95%	CAN BE IMPROVED "INCREASE YOUR CHANGES OF BETTER GRADES"	
11 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	94%	NEEDS TO IMPROVE	
20 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	90%	SERIOUS CONCERNS "CLASSED AS A PRESISTENT ABSENTED" referred to Education Welfare Service	
30 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	85% RISK OF PROSECUTION		
38 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR	80%	and mental wellbeing"	

Whole school 92% this week

Remember we aim for 100% every day. Our target is 97%.



Coming up... Save the Date

We are delighted to be celebrating World Book day again this year.

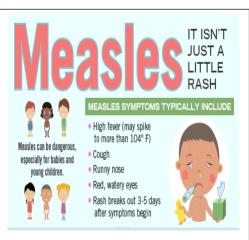
World Book Day is about celebrating books and reading all year round. It's never too early to encourage a love of reading and we hope your children find activities we have planned in school enjoyable.

Inspired by the Little People Big
Dreams series, we would like the
children to dress as an inspirational
person. This will form part of
Aspirations Week planned for later in
the year. This is a fun week, where
our children could explore their
aspirations and dreams, it will also
be an important week to promote the
idea of having a good career.

Thursday 7th March

Come to school dressed as an aspirational person.

Who will you choose to be?



Message for parents and guardians of children from the Director of Public Health Professor Matthew Ashton

Have you heard the news about measles? There is a large outbreak of measles around Birmingham. Many children have been admitted to hospital. It is likely that measles could spread to Liverpool.

Measles is a nasty infection and can make you very sick if you catch it. It starts with a high temperature and a cold with red eyes. Then you get a measles rash that spreads from your face to the rest of your body.

It is very easy to catch if you are not vaccinated. It spreads through coughs and sneezes.

Measles can be very serious for some people. It can cause pneumonia, encephalitis (brain infections) and sometimes even death.

How to protect yourself and your children from measles:

The MMR vaccine prevents measles. It is very safe. You need 2 doses to protect you for life.

All children are offered the MMR vaccine. It is free on the NHS.

If your child has missed any vaccine, book an appointment at your GP practice. Check your child's Red Book if you are not sure or ask the GP practice.

It is never too late to catch up if you have missed a vaccine.

For more information, visit: https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/meas les/